

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF DOOR COUNTY

March 2017 Newsletter for Members and Friends

VOTER SERVICE

Sturgeon Bay City Council Candidate Forum: Wonderful turnout, and we all learned a great deal about the issues on the minds of voters. Weren't able to be in audience? Here's the link to the video:

<https://sbtv.viebit.com/player.php?hash=WRknAMCd21Mi> The League thanks the candidates, moderator Steve Vickman, and our voter service co-chairs, Barb Graul and Helen Bacon.

Voter education efforts now have reached all the mainland high schools in Door County with the addition of **Gibraltar H.S. at noon on March 22**. Northern Door members...can you help for an hour? Please email lwvdcprez@gmail.com to raise your hand.

"VOTE" signs have been re-printed and are ready to put in lawns around the county in time for the general election on April 4. The signs are stored at a board member's home so email lwvdcprez@gmail.com to make arrangements for pick-up. No cost, we just ask that you display it at least ten days out from the election date.

Check out the League's window display at the DC Library during the month of March. A perfect and colorful reminder to vote in April!

LEAGUE FOCUS

Redistricting (state level) and **Poverty Study** (Door County) will command much of our attention in 2017-18. Efforts to eliminate gerrymandering will dominate the advocacy efforts of LWVWI in the coming months.

Thanks to those who came to Stone Harbor on February 14 to make the "Lively Issues" discussion exactly that. For two fast-paced hours, we exchanged ideas and opinions. Always interesting!

ALICE Panel: Asset Limited, Income Restrained, Employed is a topic we are keenly interested in here in Door County. Plan to attend a very important and relevant panel discussion on **Saturday, April 22 from 9am-noon at Bailey Harbor Town Hall**. We are hosting the state director of United Way to speak about that organization's efforts re: "working poor." Thanks for Susan Kohout for arranging a number of County agency personnel to speak about our situation here with seasonal workers and struggling families. This is the first in the Eileen Bohn Speaker Series; we are grateful for the gift given by Eileen's family to fund these educational efforts. Check our Facebook page and April newsletter for additional information.

ANNUAL MEETING

The League's year begins July 1. Prior to that, our membership is invited to attend the Annual Meeting to elect new board members and officers, approve the 2017-18 budget, vote on proposed by-law changes, and approve the program focus for the year. This year's annual meeting will be at Liberty Square, 7755 State Highway 42, Egg Harbor, on **Friday, May 12**. Registration at 5pm, dinner at 6pm, and program by LWV Lake Michigan Region at 7pm. Save the Date! More information about entrée selection and cost in Facebook posts and the April newsletter.

THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE LEAGUE BY YOUR MEMBERSHIP AND PARTICIPATION IN EVENTS. VOLUNTEERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME AND APPRECIATED!

Sincerely,
Nancy Fisher
LWVDC President